

Washington Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

2004 Tobacco Survey Results

Pierce County

What is your age?

n = 852

18 - 34	35.6%	(± 4.0%)
35 - 54	41.4	(± 3.8)
55 - 74	17.9	(± 2.6)
75+	5.1	(± 1.4)

Gender

n = 852

Male	50.8%	(± 3.9%)
Female	49.2	(± 3.9)

Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race...

n = 839

White	87.7%	(± 2.7%)
Black or African American	5.2	(± 1.9)
Asian	1.2	(± 0.8)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1.1	(± 0.8)
American Indian, Alaska Native	1.2	(± 0.8)
Other race	3.5	(± 1.5)
No preferred race	0.1	(± 0.1)

Are you Hispanic or Latino/Latina?

n = 851

Yes	4.6%	(± 1.8%)
No	95.4	(± 1.8)

Marital status

n = 845

Married	59.5%	(± 3.9%)
Divorced	10.6	(± 2.1)
Widowed	4.3	(± 1.1)
Separated	2.1	(± 0.9)
Never been married	18.8	(± 3.4)
Or a member of an unmarried couple	4.8	(± 1.8)

How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?

n = 850

None	57.4%	(± 3.9%)
1	18.0	(± 3.1)
2	16.7	(± 3.1)
3 or more	7.9	(± 2.1)

What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?

n = 850

Some high school or less	7.9%	(± 2.4%)
High school graduate or GED	27.5	(± 3.6)
Some college or technical school	35.0	(± 3.7)
College graduate or more	29.6	(± 3.5)

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Are you currently. . .	n = 850	
Employed for wages	58.0%	(± 3.8%)
Self-employed	6.1	(± 1.9)
Out of work	7.6	(± 2.3)
Homemaker	8.3	(± 1.9)
Student	4.8	(± 1.9)
Retired	11.0	(± 2.0)
Or unable to work	4.3	(± 1.4)

Annual household income from all sources	n = 742	
Less than \$20,000	11.6%	(± 2.7%)
\$20,000 to less than \$50,000	43.8	(± 4.1)
\$50,000 or more	44.5	(± 4.2)

Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?	n = 1515	
Yes	44.6%	(± 2.9%)
No	55.4	(± 2.9)

Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire life:		
Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?	n = 690	
Everyday	34.0%	(± 4.2%)
Some days	12.0	(± 2.9)
Not at all	54.0	(± 4.3)

Among current smokers:		
During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for 1 day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?	n = 295	
Yes	62.1%	(± 6.4%)
No	37.9	(± 6.4)

Current cigarette smoking prevalence:	n = 1514	
(every day or some day smokers among the whole population)	20.5%	(± 2.4%)

Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes:		
Did you smoke any cigarettes during the past 30 days?	n = 383	
Yes	50.2%	(± 5.9%)
No	49.8	(± 5.9)

Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:		
On how many days of the past 30 days did you smoke cigarettes?	n = 173	
Less than 30 days	30.2%	(± 8.4%)
30 days	69.8	(± 8.4)

Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:		
On average, about how many cigarettes per day do you smoke, on the days that you do smoke?	n = 176	
Average:	12.5	(± 1.6)

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Have you ever tried using smokeless tobacco, like chew, dip or snuff?	n = 841	
Yes	21.3%	(± 3.5%)
No	78.7	(± 3.5)

Among those that have ever tried smokeless tobacco:

On how many of the past 30 days did you use smokeless tobacco products?	n = 132	
None	79.9%	(± 8.4%)
Less than 30 days	11.9	(± 6.0)
30 days	8.2	(± 6.8)

Current smokeless tobacco prevalence:	n = 841	
(any use in past 30 days among the whole population)	4.3%	(± 2.0%)

In the past month, have you smoked a cigar, even just a puff?	n = 841	
Yes	8.0%	(± 2.6%)
No	92.0	(± 2.6)

Current tobacco use (all types of tobacco)	n = 842	
Current daily tobacco user	27.9%	(± 3.7%)
Current non-tobacco user	72.1	(± 3.7)

Among former smokers:

About how long has it been since you last smoked cigarettes regularly, that is, daily?	n = 205	
Within the past month (less than 1 month ago)	0.4%	(± 0.9%)
Within the past 3 months (1-3 months ago)	4.6	(± 3.9)
Within the past 6 months (3-6 months ago)	4.0	(± 3.7)
Within the past year (6-12 months ago)	4.9	(± 3.8)
Within the past 5 years (1-5 years ago)	19.2	(± 6.1)
Within the past 15 years (5-15 years ago)	24.2	(± 6.9)
More than 15 years ago	40.9	(± 7.6)
Never used regularly	1.7	(± 1.6)

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many days per month did you smoke?	n = 201	
Average:	28.5	(± 1.1)

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?	n = 201	
Average:	20.1	(± 2.8)

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Among never smokers less than 30 years old:

Do you think that you will smoke a cigarette anytime during the next year?	n = 75	
Definitely yes	2.1%	N/A
Probably yes	10.7	N/A
Probably no	10.5	N/A
Definitely no	76.6	N/A

Among never smokers less than 30 years old:

If you or your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?	n = 78	
Definitely yes	3.9%	N/A
Probably yes	4.1	N/A
Probably no	12.0	N/A
Definitely no	80.0	N/A

Among current tobacco users:

About how much do you usually spend on tobacco products every week?	n = 197	
Less than \$25	79.6%	($\pm 6.5\%$)
At least \$25 but less than \$55	18.4	(± 6.2)
More than \$55	2.0	(± 2.8)

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco on a Native American reservation?	n = 205	
Yes	35.0%	($\pm 7.7\%$)
No	65.0	(± 7.7)

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco from the Internet?	n = 206	
Yes	1.3%	($\pm 1.5\%$)
No	98.7	(± 1.5)

Among current tobacco users:

During the past month, did you buy tobacco outside the state to save money - not just because you were traveling?	n = 206	
Yes	3.3%	($\pm 3.1\%$)
No	96.7	(± 3.1)

Among current/former tobacco users:

People close to me are/were upset by my using tobacco.	n = 383	
Strongly agree	46.8%	($\pm 5.9\%$)
Somewhat agree	16.2	(± 4.3)
Somewhat disagree	17.1	(± 4.4)
Strongly disagree	19.9	(± 4.8)

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Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DOCTOR or other healthcare provider advised you to quit, if ever? n = 383

Within the past year (1-12 months)	27.8%	(± 5.3%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	9.9	(± 3.8)
3 or more years ago	18.9	(± 4.3)
They never advised me to quit	43.4	(± 5.9)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DENTIST advised you to quit, if ever? n = 386

Within the past year (1-12 months)	13.3%	(± 4.2%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	5.7	(± 3.4)
3 or more years ago	6.8	(± 2.7)
They never advised me to quit	74.2	(± 5.4)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a PHARMACIST advised you to quit, if ever? n = 386

Within the past year (1-12 months)	0.7%	(± 0.8%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	0.0	(± 0.0)
3 or more years ago	0.2	(± 0.3)
They never advised me to quit	99.1	(± 0.9)

Among those advised to quit:

Did the health care professional who advised to quit offer any help, or refer you to a source of help to quit tobacco use? n = 233

Yes	48.0%	(± 7.6%)
No	52.0	(± 7.6)

What type of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your medical care? Is it coverage through. . . n = 733

Your employer	49.1%	(± 4.3%)
Someone else's employer	15.3	(± 3.0)
A plan that you or someone buys on your own	7.9	(± 2.2)
Medicare	10.6	(± 2.1)
Medicaid or Medical Assistance	5.0	(± 2.0)
The military, CHAMPUS, or the VA	11.9	(± 3.1)
The Indian Health Service	0.1	(± 0.2)
Some other source	0.1	(± 0.2)

Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, have you heard about any programs in your community to help you quit using tobacco, such as classes, support groups or counseling services? n = 183

Yes	53.4%	(± 8.5%)
No	46.6	(± 8.5)

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Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, did your employer offer any stop-smoking class or other programs to help employees quit using tobacco?		n = 86
Yes	26.6%	(± 10.7%)
No	73.4	(± 10.7)

Among current and recent former smokers with health care coverage:

Does your health care insurance coverage pay for the cost of any help to quit using tobacco, such as a stop-smoking program or nicotine patches, pills or other medications?		n = 145
Yes	38.0%	(± 9.1%)
No	28.9	(± 8.3)
Don't know/Not sure	33.1	(± 9.1)

Among current and recent former smokers:

Have you heard about the Washington State "Quit-Line" - a telephone support service to help people quit using tobacco?		n = 183
Yes	51.1%	(± 8.5%)
No	48.9	(± 8.5)

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Would you ever call a telephone support service for help in quitting tobacco?		n = 169
Definitely Yes	14.1%	(± 5.8%)
Probably Yes	21.6	(± 7.4)
Probably No	27.9	(± 8.0)
Definitely No	36.3	(± 8.4)

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Have you called the Quit line?		n = 96
Yes	6.3%	(± 4.8%)
No	93.7	(± 4.8)

Among current tobacco users:

Would you like to quit using tobacco?		n = 195
Yes	59.4%	(± 8.2%)
No	40.6	(± 8.2)

Among current tobacco users who would like to quit:

Are you seriously considering quitting tobacco use within the next 6 months?		n = 115
Yes	81.5%	(± 8.2%)
No	18.5	(± 8.2)

Among current tobacco users considering quitting within 6 months:

Are you planning to stop within the next 30 days?		n = 102
Yes	38.2%	(± 10.9%)
No	48.6	(± 11.5)
Don't know/Not sure	13.2	(± 8.1)

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Are you currently registered to vote?		n = 832
Yes	81.7%	(± 3.2%)
No	18.3	(± 3.2)

Which of the following statements best describes the rules about smoking in your home. . .		n = 834
No one is allowed to smoke anywhere inside your home	83.1%	(± 3.1%)
Smoking is allowed at some places or at some times	8.5	(± 2.4)
Smoking is permitted anywhere inside your home	8.3	(± 2.3)

How many people, including you, who live in your household currently smoke cigarettes, cigars, or pipes?		n = 840
No current smokers in household	65.3%	(± 3.9%)
1	21.1	(± 3.3)
2	10.7	(± 2.7)
3 or more	2.9	(± 1.5)

On how many of the past 30 days has someone, including you, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home?		n = 835
None	83.9%	(± 3.2%)
Less than 30	6.2	(± 2.3)
30 days	9.9	(± 2.5)

If it were just up to you, would you let people smoke inside your home?		n = 828
Yes	10.8%	(± 2.5%)
No	89.2	(± 2.5)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

When you are at work, do you spend most of your time in an. . .		n = 486
Office	37.6%	(± 4.9%)
Store	6.2	(± 2.5)
Restaurant or Bar	5.2	(± 2.5)
Warehouse or factory	11.0	(± 3.6)
Home/Someone elses home	6.4	(± 2.5)
Outdoors	7.6	(± 3.0)
Car or truck	7.7	(± 3.0)
Classroom	8.2	(± 2.5)
Hospital	5.8	(± 2.1)
Somewhere else	4.3	(± 2.1)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Some or all indoor work areas?		n = 473
Yes	5.9%	(± 2.4%)
No	94.1	(± 2.4)

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Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Employee lunchrooms or lounges? n = 458

Yes	2.4%	(± 1.6%)
No	97.6	(± 1.6)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . A different designated indoor smoking area? n = 459

Yes	3.9%	(± 2.0%)
No	96.1	(± 2.0)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

In a typical week, how many hours would you say that you are in a room or car with secondhand smoke while you are at work? n = 483

None	85.8%	(± 3.8%)
Less than one hour	6.6	(± 2.7)
One hour or more	7.6	(± 2.9)

In general, would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . .

n = 831

Not at all annoying to you	12.8%	(± 2.6%)
A little bit annoying	13.5	(± 3.1)
Somewhat annoying	19.9	(± 3.2)
Very annoying to you	53.8	(± 4.0)

Would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . .

n = 806

Not at all harmful	2.1%	(± 1.0%)
A little bit harmful	6.0	(± 2.0)
Somewhat harmful	24.7	(± 3.6)
Very harmful	67.2	(± 3.9)

All children should be protected from secondhand smoke.

n = 812

Strongly agree	84.2%	(± 3.0%)
Somewhat agree	11.5	(± 2.7)
Somewhat disagree	1.7	(± 0.9)
Strongly disagree	2.7	(± 1.3)

Do you think that smoking should not be allowed at all in restaurants?

n = 834

Yes	73.7%	(± 3.6%)
No	22.8	(± 3.5)
Don't know/Not sure	3.6	(± 1.4)

Do you think that smoking should not be allowed in bars and lounges?

n = 824

Yes	36.6%	(± 3.8%)
No	55.5	(± 3.9)
Don't know/Not sure	7.9	(± 2.0)

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Do you think that smoking should not be allowed in outdoor public areas where children may be present?		n = 824
Yes	55.2%	(± 4.0%)
No	39.3	(± 4.0)
Don't know/Not sure	5.5	(± 1.6)

Local law enforcement officials should place a high priority on enforcing laws that ban the possession of tobacco products by minors.		n = 800
Strongly agree	52.8%	(± 4.1%)
Somewhat agree	22.0	(± 3.4)
Somewhat disagree	15.7	(± 3.0)
Strongly disagree	9.5	(± 2.3)

The city or town where you live should establish as many strong rules and laws as possible to protect nonsmokers, including children, from secondhand smoke.		n = 797
Strongly agree	51.7%	(± 4.0%)
Somewhat agree	25.0	(± 3.6)
Somewhat disagree	12.5	(± 2.7)
Strongly disagree	10.8	(± 2.5)

School officials should make sure that all children receive anti-tobacco education.		n = 824
Strongly agree	86.3%	(± 2.9%)
Somewhat agree	9.7	(± 2.5)
Somewhat disagree	1.6	(± 1.0)
Strongly disagree	2.4	(± 1.4)

Tobacco use by adults should not be allowed on school grounds or at any school events.		n = 822
Strongly agree	85.4%	(± 3.1%)
Somewhat agree	8.5	(± 2.5)
Somewhat disagree	4.0	(± 1.8)
Strongly disagree	2.0	(± 1.2)

Have you seen or heard about any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to prevent or reduce tobacco use among youth?		n = 791
Yes	45.4%	(± 4.1%)
No	54.6	(± 4.1)

There are so many things that cause cancer, tobacco use is not going to make any difference.		n = 809
Strongly agree	8.3%	(± 2.3%)
Somewhat agree	6.9	(± 2.2)
Somewhat disagree	9.2	(± 2.3)
Strongly disagree	75.6	(± 3.5)

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Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company logo or picture on it?		n = 819	
Yes	17.1%	(± 3.2%)	
No	82.9	(± 3.2)	

Do you currently have a piece of clothing, or other item that has a tobacco brand or logo on it?		n = 828	
Yes	7.5%	(± 2.2%)	
No	92.5	(± 2.2)	

During the past year, have you received a free sample or coupon for a free sample of cigarettes or other tobacco products?		n = 820	
Yes	14.6%	(± 2.8%)	
No	85.4	(± 2.8)	

During the past year have you been somewhere, such as concert or special event, where tobacco companies were having a promotion - for example, giving away free samples or having a special give-away?		n = 824	
Yes	9.1%	(± 2.4%)	
No	90.9	(± 2.4)	

Tobacco companies should have the same rights to advertise their products as other companies.		n = 795	
Strongly agree	21.3%	(± 3.3%)	
Somewhat agree	28.6	(± 3.7)	
Somewhat disagree	13.7	(± 2.7)	
Strongly disagree	36.4	(± 3.9)	

<i>Among people with children ages 12 to 17:</i>			
Have you told your child specifically that you do not want him or her to use tobacco?		n = 157	
Yes	94.0%	(± 4.4%)	
No	6.0	(± 4.4)	

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